Transcript of President's News Conference on Foreign and Domestic Matters

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Bishops' Stand on Arms

Q. Mr. President, the Roman Catholic blabops, as you know, voted overwhelmingly yesterday in favor of a received and the standard of the medical freewing the standard of the medical freewing trying to head off the mucker freewing trying to head off the mucker freewing the standard of the standard of the mucker freewing the standard of the s

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conventional weapons, bombing and so forth. But this now — can anyone — granted that your weapons are targeted on weapons, but this kind of weapon can their but have an effect on the population as a whole. So they're not saying anything we don't say, that God forbid those weapons absolut ever be used.

Purpose 'Same as Ours'

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Q. Mr. President, Soviet leader Andropov yesterday made a new offer in the medium-range missile calks. Do yesterday?

A. Yes, the very fact that they have moved toward discussing warheads missiles we feel that way, the state of the

Proposal or Propaganda

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Q. Mr. President, I was wondering,
the Administration has initially
seemed to characterize what Androseemed to characterize what Andropov said as less than sweeping in
terms of the changes that he's offered.
I was wondering whether you felt,
based on what you've seen, read and
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and forth.
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Q. Are you saying that you think this
mproves chances for an agreement
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A. I can't put a time limit on it.

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President Reagan during interview with correspondents. From left: Chris Wallace, NBC News; Bruce Drake, The Daily News; Steven W. Welsman, The New Ing. News; and Sara Fritz, U.S. News & World Report.

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Effect of a Cutoff

Q. Mr. President, I'd like to go back to what the committee actually did yesterday in voting the cutoff. C.I.A. Director Casey is reported to have a committee actually did yesterday in voting the cutoff. C.I.A. Director Casey is reported to have a committee and the committee of the guerrillas and a blood bank of the guerrillas and a blood bank of the guerrillas and a committee of the cutoff of cover aid went through?

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Palestinian Referendum

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president Reagan during Interrities with correspondents. From left Chris Wallace's NBC News is more Drake, The Daily News; Steven & Westman, The New violation of what had made them solve the provious to begin with. But the whole purpose of the Sandinist and Covernment seems to be not only with El Salvador but the export of the provious of the provi

Trying to Find Leaks

rael for peace in the region, we have to recognize their positions with regard to this.

It would take their agreeing to go forward in negotiations without the PLO. I must say that the contact we state the peace of the peace o isn't. It's what I have asked for.

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Salvadoran Commitment

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Overt Ald on Nicaragua

Q. Mr. President, can I follow up on
something you said earlier? Did funderstand you to say that if you were
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